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DEVICE AND TAMPER-EVIDENT STRUCTURE

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2001, Applicant amends this application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 7 and 16 as follows:

- 7. (Amended) The package according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - (a) an area of weakness extending along the first tamper-evident structure.
- 16. (Amended) A method of making a package comprising a package body defining a package interior; a zipper closure comprising a first mating profile and a second mating profile extending along a first edge of the package body, the zipper closure providing access to the interior; a slider device operably mounted on the zipper closure, the slider device interlocking the first mating profile with the second mating profile when the slider device is moved in a first direction and for disengaging the first mating profile from the second mating profile with the

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